

a molding box which is opened at an upper face for subjecting a polarizing film to a vacuum suction to mold a concave and convex polarizing film;

a closing valve attached to a suction port communicating with an inner space of the molding box;

a vacuum source connected to the closing valve; pressing means provided at an opening edge of the molding box;

a bed plate accommodated in the molding box in a state where it can be taken out therefrom; and

a mold having a molding face and placed on the bed plate for molding the polarizing film.

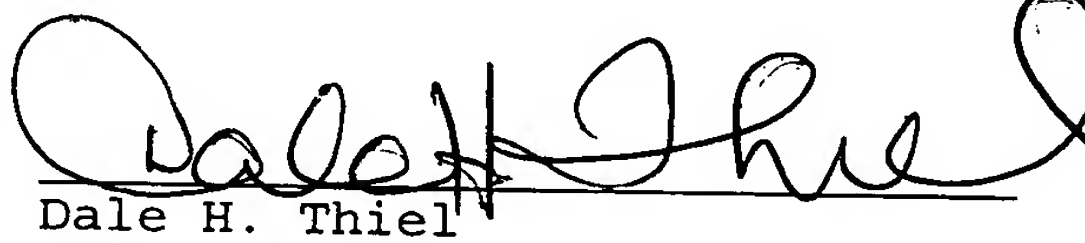
4. (Currently Amended) The apparatus for molding a polarizing film according to Claim ~~2~~ or 3, wherein the suction port has a blocking prevention function.

5. (Currently Amended) The apparatus for molding a polarizing film according to Claim ~~2~~ or 3, wherein the mold is made up of glass, and is placed in the molding box in a state to be replaceable with another mold.

REMARKS

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